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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL FORM (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

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| DOCKET NO. 22750/525 | APPLICATION SERIAL NO. 10/074,404 | EXAMINER Cheryl Ann JUSKA | ART UNIT 1771 |
| | Filing Date February 12, 2002 | CONFIRMATION NO. 7026 | |

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Date: May 10, 2006

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Richard M. Rosati

This is a **Request for Continued Examination** under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (RCE) of pending application Serial No. 10/074,404, filed on **February 12, 2002**, entitled **TUFTED BACKING AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SAME**.

The following constitute the submission required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(a) and is attached:

Please enter the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed on April 11, 2006 (copy enclosed) responsive to the January 11, 2006 final Office Action.

Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449

Drawing Changes

Other Submission: _____

1. The filing fee for this RCE and the required amendment/submission is calculated below. The fee below is calculated based on the status of the claims after the entry of the attached amendment/submission. The fee for any new additional claims is included with this RCE, the fee for previously entered additional claims having already been paid.

| | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | MINUS | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PA ID FOR | PRESENT NUMBER EXTRA* | RATE (\$) PER CLAIM | FEE (\$) |
|--------------------------------|--|-------|---|---|---------------------------|----------|
| BASIC FEE | | | | | | 790.00 |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 19 | - | 20 | 0 | 50.00 | 0.00 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 1 | - | 3 | 0 | 200.00 | 0.00 |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | | | 360.00 | |
| | | | | *Number extra must be zero or larger | TOTAL | 790.00 |
| | If Applicant is a small entity under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27, then divide total fee by 2, and enter amount here. | | | | SMALL ENTITY TOTAL | |

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2. Please charge the required RCE and submission filing fee of **\$790.00** to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon, deposit account number 11-0600.
3. Applicants respectfully request a **one-month extension of time** in which to respond to the Final Office Action dated January 11, 2006, for which a response period expiring on April 11, 2006 was set. The extended period expires on **May 11, 2006**. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) extension fee of **\$120.00** to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon LLP, deposit account number **11-0600**.
4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fees, including any additional and/or extension fees required, associated with this communication or arising during the pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon LLP, deposit account number 11-0600.
5. A duplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



Dated: May 10, 2006

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